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FRANK D. VINCENT, "The Bulb King"



Bulbs, and we include spring, summer and autumn flowering, are all important and indispensable to the home garden. They can be used to great advantage in many parts of the garden for thrilling and diversified effects. They give greater and longer satisfaction for your money than any other class of plants, especially when you consider the little care they actually require. They have a distinctive advantage over other plants. Well grown, healthy bulbs correctly planted, may be counted on to give results in the garden because the flower embryo is within the bulb at the time of purchase. It was built there by the bulb the season before and will come to its full glory in your garden. Bulbs are comparatively free of diseases, especially the daffodils which are disliked by rodents and thrive even for several years in one location without being lifted and replanted. So for the maximum bloom with the minimum in effort and care the inexperienced as well as the experienced gardener should look to the bulb flowers for his best buy in color, fragrance, beautiful form.

#### Large Trumpet Daffodils

This group of daffodils is by far the most famous and popular of the lot. All have large flowers with broad petals and glorious trumpets, which in early spring form the basis of color in the garden. Many kinds are very suitable for growing in pots or in bulb fibre. The following are all yellow varieties. In a separate classification we have listed the bicolors below.

#### Yellow Trumpets

**Dawson City.** Really a showy garden type and prized for exhibition purposes, this beautifully formed Daffodil with its perfectly symmetrical perianth of large broad petals, greatly overlapping and a soft clear yellow and long straight trumpet is really a thing of beauty in the spring garden.

3 bulbs for 80c, 12 for \$3.25, 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$20.00

King Alfred. One of the most dependable of the Daffodils is the very large and very shapely King Alfred whose great flowers are of the purest deep yellow and held aloft on strong stems. It is deservedly popular and is grown wherever Daffodils are planted. It is by far the best buy in its price range.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

#### Hints on Growing Daffodils

Like all other bulbs, daffodils repay us for giving them the proper care by producing more and better flowers. See that the soil is well prepared. This means deep digging and plenty of plant food, especially phosphates and potash. Early planting is advisable. September is the best month for most parts of the country. Cover the tops of the bulbs about 6 inches, and in cold climates mulch well after the ground has frozen. It is a mistake to leave the bulbs too many years without resetting them. They become crowded and fail to bloom. About every third year, dig the bulbs when the tops have ripened. Store in a cool, airy place and reset in the fall. Never move the bulbs before or during blooming time as it will injure their growth severely.

#### Forcing of Daffodils

Daffodils are very easily forced and if a little care is exercised you can have beautiful flowers in mid-winter. Pot up the bulbs in September or October in any good garden soil.

Place pots in trench out doors, covering top of pots at least four inches. Be sure that they have plenty of moisture at all times, but with good drainage. Do not bring the pots in very early—December 20th to January 1st is usually early enough for the first ones, then at intervals through January and February. Do not give daffodils much heat—50 to 55 degrees F. is enough at night with 60 in the daytime.

KING

ALFRED

#### White Trumpet Daffodils

Beersheba. The finest white daffodil yet raised. Flowers of giant size, often five inches across and pure snow white. Petals large and arranged in a flat fashion to hold the beautifully flanged long trumpet. It is a vigorous grower and should be included in every garden especially in combination with the golden yellow trumpets.

Each \$1.50, 12 for \$15.00

Mrs. E. H. Krelage. Popularly described as the white King Alfred because of its resemblance to that popular variety in size and shape of the flower. When the flowers just open there is a very slight difference in color between petals and trumpet but soon the whole flower is a uniform ivory-white with a smooth waxy texture.

3 for \$1.40, 12 for \$5.50, 25 for \$10.00

**Eskimo.** One of the newer daffodils and a real gem for the collector or fancier of rare and beautiful daffodils. The flowers have wonderful substance and form with their broad white petals and very broad open trumpet. The trumpet is very pale and delicate primrose yellow at first but soon changes to pure white.

Each \$2.50, 3 for \$7.00, 12 for \$26.00

#### **Bicolor Trumpet Daffodils**

The following varieties are reasonably priced and definitely desirable for general garden planting: Spring Glory, the loveliest of this class, the enormous Van Waveren's Giant, Victoria and Glory of Sassenheim, are favorites in the various flower markets throughout the world.

Glory of Sassenheim. Large well formed flowers. Beautiful white perianth and rich yellow trumpet of good size.

> 3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Jefta. Petals cream colored with a pale yellow trumpet slightly recurved at the mouth. Flowers of moderate size and very beautifully proportioned, this is a seedling of King Alfred and is rapidly becoming very popular. Early.

3 bulbs for \$1.75, 12 for \$6.50 25 for \$12.00

Lovenest. One of the very few pink daffodils. Starry shaped white perianth and nicely proportioned long trumpet of saffron yellow changing to apricot pink. Very early and charming in all stages of development.

> 3 bulbs for \$1.85, 12 for \$7.00 25 for \$12.50

**Spring Glory.** This is perhaps the best known of the bicolor trumpet daffodils. Large golden yellow trumpets backed with pure white petals. A good clean flower on an excellent stem. Free flowering.

3 bulbs for 90c, 12 for \$3.25 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$20.00

Van Waveren's Giant. Beautiful large trumpet daffodil with primrose-yellow petals and a glorious bright yellow trumpet. Very good for pot culture and makes a remarkable and beautiful display in the garden for its rich color and large size.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.25 25 for \$4.00, 100 for \$15.00

Victoria. A very desirable bicolor trumpet daffodil for the garden because of its delightfully fragrant flowers. Petals creamy-white with a rich yellow trumpet.

3 bulbs for \$1.75, 12 for \$3.25 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$20.00



SPRING GLORY

### FRANK D. VINCENT "The Bulb King"

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LOVENEST



BEERSHEBA (Above)

MRS. E. H. KRELAGE (Below)



DICK WELLBAND (INCOMPARABILIS)

**John Evelyn.** This will be one of the greatest daffodils for years to come. It is already one of the most outstanding of the newer daffodils with pure white petals, without any shading whatever, opening flat to a flower 4 to 5 inches across. The flat cup is almost 2 inches across, densely frilled, lemon yellow and fluted or shirred right to the base. It is a free flowering strong grower well suited to planting in the garden.

3 bulbs for 80c, 12 for \$2.85, 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$20.00

# Incomparabilis DAFFODILS

The incomparabilis group of daffodils characterized by the general standards of judging daffodils has a cup or crown in length equal to the length of the petals and not shorter than one-third. Thus they have reasonably good size cups although not as large as the giant Trumpet class. As a group they are very colorful, mostly because the cups or crowns have bright colors in their markings. There are generally two types in this class—those with yellow shades and without the red markings in the cup and the group known as bicolors, where the petals are white and the cup either yellow, red stained or red.

For thrilling and unusual novelty and garden varieties these are in a class by themselves. Although some are expensive they are a very good investment for the average garden because the bulbs multiply very freely.

**Croesus.** Rather late flowering with petals of canary-yellow perfectly formed into an almost full round flower with a fluted cup of rich orange. Flowers are very substantial and freely produced. Sturdy growth. A fine variety for the garden and popular.

3 bulbs for 55c, 12 for \$1.85, 25 for \$3.50, 100 for \$12.50

**Dick Wellband.** One of the finest of this group is this free flowering variety with pure white petals and flaming orange cup. The colors rather intensify with age instead of fading, producing a startling contrast between the cup and petals. Would stand out in any collection.

3 bulbs for \$1.95, 12 for \$6.95, 25 for \$12.00

Carlton. A fine clear yellow daffodil of large size. Both petals and cup are the same color, a fine clear yellow with the cup large and expanded and frilled at the brim. Has extreme vigor and a delicate fragrance which with the delightful proportions makes Carlton one of the finest varieties; a real favorite.

3 bulbs for \$1.00, 12 for \$3.50, 25 for \$6.50, 100 for \$22.00



JOHN EVELYN





CROESUS (INCOMPARABILIS)

Fortune. One of the finer NEW varieties of large flowering Incomparabilis Daffodils. Flowers perfectly formed and with a cup almost as long as the Trumpet class. Petals are broad and overlapping; a creamy yellow of solid texture. The crown or cup is of great size and elegant, beautifully frilled at the mouth and a glowing soft orange. The flowers are large and showy and held well above the foliage on strong stiff stems. Early flowering.

Each 75c, 3 for \$2.20, 12 for \$8.50

**Sir Watkin.** The Welsh Giant Daffodil. Very free flowering, with splendid foliage and large flowers on good strong stems. Perianth primrose yellow and deep yellow cup tinged with orange. A good strong growing daffodil making an excellent show of color in the garden and suitable for naturalizing.

3 bulbs for 65c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$12.00

### Leedsii DAFFODILS

Very similar in appearance to the Incomparabilis group, the members of the Leedsi Daffodils are equally good bulbs for garden planting with their showy trumpets or cups contrasting very nicely against the white petals. In fact, they all have white petals as one of the characteristics of the group and the cup or crown length makes the difference whether or not they are Long-crowned or Short-crowned Leedsi. The former have crowns not less than one-third the length of the petal but never as long as they are. The short-crown type have crowns less than one-third the petal length.

**Gertie Millar.** Long-crown or Giant Leedsi. A wonderful flower with an enormous pure white perianth and a beautiful cup of pale primrose, deeply fluted and frilled and possessing a translucency seldom seen in daffodils. One of the most graceful of the group for garden planting and cutting.

3 bulbs for \$1.95, 12 for \$7.50, 25 for \$14.00

**Silver Star.** Unusually free-flowering and one of the most beautiful daffodils of this group. The broad petals are arranged to make a star-shaped perianth of pure creamy white with a finely proportioned, wide-mouthed trumpet of primrose which changes to cream white as the flower ages. An extra fine variety which should be in every collection.

3 bulbs for 85c, 12 for \$3.00, 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$20.00



MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE

Mrs. R. O. Backhouse. Famous as the "Pink Trumpet Daffodil", this Leedsi variety is truly as beautiful as the imagination can picture it. The fine ivory-white petals are perfectly arranged around the long, slender trumpet of shell pink, delicately fringed at the edges. Delicacy is all around this lovely flower with the added premium of great substance, long lasting habit and early flowering.

Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00, 12 for \$15.00



DIANA KASNER

### Barrii NARCISSUS

Diana Kasner. Barrii. With daffodils of the quality of Diana Kasner available at such modest prices it is almost a shame not to plant it in the garden in good quantities. The large long lasting flowers on stately stems last for a remarkably long time in the garden. Perianth creamy-yellow with a large fluted cup of yellow with a bright red frill. Diana Kasner is one of the easiest to force in pots.

> 3 bulbs for 55c 12 for \$1.85 25 for \$2.85 100 for \$10.00



SILVER STAR



TWINK

Daisy Schaffer. Leedsi. One of the best Giant Leedsi Daffodils with flowers often four and a half inches across with a cup nearly two inches wide which makes it resemble one of the Giant Trumpets but much more graceful. With its pure white petals and primrose yellow trumpet it makes a beautiful picture in early spring. As the flower ages the color of the cup changes gradually to a light canary yellow with deeper shadings at the base.

Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00 12 for \$15.00

Twink. A marvelous double daffodil of the semi-full type—the longer petals are a soft primrose yellow alternating with shorter petals of clear orange and so arranged as to give the flower a most attractive appearance. It is most adaptable to flower arrangements, in fact, Twink is really a flower to appreciate indoors for the delicacy of form, color and fragrance need close inspection to really enjoy.

3 bulbs for 80c, 12 for \$2.85 25 for \$5.50, 100 for \$21.00



DAISY SCHAFFER

Cheerfulness. Double Poetaz. Very attractive narcissus with clusters of very pleasing white flowers on erect stems. There are three or four flowers to each with broad rounded petals of creamy white full to the center and showing blendings of yellow. This is a fine garden variety that will soon win your admiration.

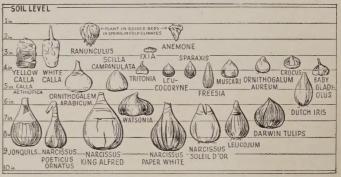
3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Laurens Koster. Poetaz. A good old standby and no doubt one of the finest poetaz narcissi for any purpose, forcing or garden planting. Bears five to seven flowers to the stem, very dainty with their pure snow white petals and short bright lemon-yellow cups. Free flowering and highly recommended for the garden. Excellent for cutting.

3 bulbs for 50c, 12 for \$1.65, 25 for \$3.00, 100 for \$11.00

Innocence. Poetaz. Extra free flowering and easily forced into bloom indoors. Like Laurens Koster in many respects but the cups are chrome-orange. Petals, white, with good solid substance. Sweetly fragrant.

3 bulbs for 50c, 12 for \$1.65, 25 for \$3.00, 100 for \$11.00



FOR BEST PERFORMANCE IN THE GARDEN, BULBS SHOULD BE PLANTED AT THE PROPER DEPTH. REFER TO CHART BEFORE PLANTING.



LAURENS KOSTER

### Polyanthus NARCISSUS

The Polyanthus Narcissus are familiar to everyone throughout the country as the kind planted in dishes of pebbles and water. Grown in this way they are extremely interesting plants to watch grow, bud and bloom right in your living room or office. Children and grown-ups alike are fascinated by their performance. They are hardy only where the winters are warm and the ground does not freeze. We offer three kinds.

Paper White Narcissus. Flowers in large clusters, pure white with papery texture.

**Soleil d'Or.** Flowers golden yellow with orange cup or eye.

Chinese Sacred Lily. Fragrant white flowers with yellow cups. Easiest to grow.

3 for 50c, 12 for \$1.75 100 for \$12.00. Postpaid



CHEERFULNESS

### Vincent's DUTCH IRIS

Dutch Iris give a wealth of bloom and fine cut flowers. They make a fine addition to the garden. In fact they can be grown successfully all over the country. The usual height varies from one foot to almost two feet, according to the variety. All have neat looking flowers on stiff erect stems and a basal tuft of narrow leaves quite distinct from those of the garden iris. They bloom quite early but extend over the period of garden iris so they may be planted for colorful effects among the iris in the garden. The bulbs may be left in the ground from year to year but in cold climates a liberal mulch is advisable.

Plant the bulbs as soon as practicable, 3 to 4 inches deep, and 8 to 12 inches apart. By planting clumps of 8 to 10 bulbs a more effective flowering may be

had and the spacing may be reduced by a couple inches or so.

If the flowers are cut for the house try not to cut the leaves since these are needed to produce the flowers for next year. With this thought the bulbs should be allowed to grow as long as they will to build up flower buds rather than cutting the leaves off as soon as the flowering is over.

A. Bloomard. Standards dark purplish blue with falls a lighter shade of blue. Flowers very large and of fine form.

David Haaring. Very large flowers of great substance. Standards greyish-white, falls pure white. 26 inches.

Imperator. Large free-flowering dark blue. Unusually fine for cutting.

Jacob De Wit. Very early variety of fine substance. Standards very dark blue, falls dark blue. 22 inches.

White Excelsior. Uniform pure white. Falls are rather broader than in the other iris. Flowers of very fine form and pleasing in the garden.

Yellow Queen. The most popular yellow iris, tall growing and exquisite flowers

of pure golden yellow.

Wedgewood. Although not strictly a Dutch Iris it is generally classed with this group. Very early and the showiest of all. Standards of wedgewood blue with falls a shade deeper. Needs more protection than others in cold climates. Any of above: 12 bulbs for 90c, 25 for \$1.80, 100 for \$7.00. Postpaid.

#### Mixed Iris

Splendid mixture of the finest varieties. We offer these as an opportunity to have a great variety of fine flowers for cutting and an extended season of bloom. All fine quality bulbs.

12 for 75c, 25 for \$1.35, 100 for \$5.00. Postpaid.



Crocus are among the earliest flowers to bloom in spring and perfectly hardy anywhere. They are colorful in beds, as a border plant or in the lawn. Plants are only about 4 inches high and may be used to good effect in the rock garden in bold

Crocus

Plant 2 inches deep and no closer than

12 bulbs for 85c, 25 for \$1.70 100 for \$6.00



DUTCH IRIS

#### Freesias

Freesias are easy to grow. They can be grown outdoors only in the warmer states but elsewhere require planting in pots for the house or conservatory. The flowers are quite colorful and deliciously fragrant. Colors are all of pastels.

Use a good rich loam soil for potting, setting bulbs an inch or two apart. Outdoors plant bulbs 3 to 6 inches apart and cover with about 2 inches of soil.

Colors: Golden yellow, pink, red, orange, and white.

12 for 95c, 25 for \$1.75 100 for \$6.00 Mixed colors: 12 for 75c, 25 for \$1.40, 100 for \$5.00





# Vincent's GIANT DARWIN

# TULIPS

The clear, pure colors of Darwin Tulips, their hardiness and dependability for bloom make them the most popular of all for garden plantings. The flowers, typical Tulip shaped, on stiff, erect stems, show no markings, mottlings, feathering or other color variations characteristic to other Tulips.

Plant all Tulips at least 6 inches deep. In the south an extra 2 or 3 inches, making a total of 8 or 9 inches, will give better results because the tulip will then have a cooler root run and protection from the sun. For the greatest possible show of color plant large beds of one color. But in the flower border it is often desirable to have "clumps" of Tulips, starting with the bright colors and working toward the blues. In this case each clump should have at least 6 to 12 bulbs per "clump", less than that tends to give a spotty effect.

**Allard Pierson.** The earliest flowering and easiest to force of all Darwin Tulips. The 28 inch stems have rich crimson maroon flowers.

3 for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

#### Garden Hints on Tulips

FRANK D. VINCENT "The Bulb King"

To acquaint our many customers with the floral richness and plant interest in this great family of bulbs, I have prepared this short column on the culture of the Tulip.

The Tulip has been cultivated since ancient times and in the Persian, it was called Tauleban and was most likely grown as the wild species native to the mountains of Asia Minor. With the coming of the Crusades into the Holy Land the returning knights took the Tulip along with other plants to their native homes in Europe. It was not long after that the Tulip became a popular plant and along with the Huseir

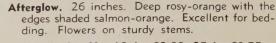
plant and along with the Hyacinth was cultivated in Holland and many varieties resulted with the years.

ALLARD

PIERSON

Tulips may be planted at any time from fall to early winter but are best if planted early before the ground freezes, if your winters are cold. The bulbs show no preference as to time of planting as long as the ground is in good condition to plant. It is well to dig the Tulip bed deep and work into the soil some old manure, if obtainable or other organic material such as leaf mould or peat together with a generous amount of phosphate fertilizer like bone meal. However, in planting the bulbs such material should not come in direct contact with them, but should be separated by a layer of clean soil to protect the bulbs from decay. The bulbs may be left in the ground as long as they do not become crowded. Such condition is indicated by poor flowers, many leaves or no flowers at all.

Our Tulips are coming from Holland this year for the first time in five years. We expect to have over a half million bulbs, which should bring a great deal of pleasure to our many customers. You can do us a favor and yourself as well if you will send your order as soon as possible. Then we will be sure to fill your order promptly and you can get your bulbs planted early.



3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75 100 for \$14.00

**Bartigon.** 24 inches. One of the better known varieties and unsurpassed for bedding where the mass of large geranium-like red flowers is really effective.

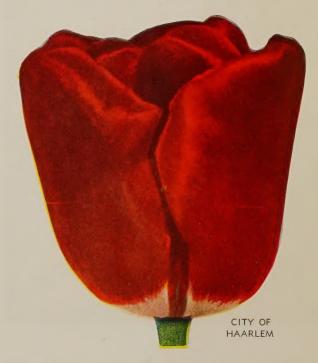
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City of Haarlem. 27 inches. One of the best blood red Tulips for garden and forcing. The steel blue ring and white base add attractiveness to the open flower.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Clara Butt. 22 inches. Probably the best known of all Tulips is this cheerful variety. It should be in every garden for the medium size, pure soft pink flowers are excellent for cutting.

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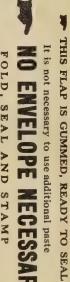
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| 12c | Pkt.        | 244 MARS — Rich oxblood crimson              |
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Large, Wavy petaled blossoms!
PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA SWEET PEAS

**Farncombe Sanders.** 28 inches. Brilliant cardinal red with a handsome white base. This old favorite is excellent for mass color effect especially against a dark background. It is one of the leading late varieties for garden bloom and forcing.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**King Harold.** 24 inches. Deep crimson maroon with a purple center. One of the better dark varieties and excellent for late forcing.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**La Tulipe Noire.** 25 inches. Popular as the Black Tulip and it is the deepest of all Tulips with velvety black-violet flowers of good size and on strong stems. Centers of open flowers dark violet in color.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**Pride of Haarlem.** 26 inches. Cerise-scarlet with a blue base and extra fine sturdy stems. Flowers are large, making this a bold and noble Tulip, excellent for display planting. Still in great demand.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Rev. H. Ewbank. 22 inches. A soft heliotrope-lilac with grey margin. This is an especially good variety to plant among or with the yellow tulips for a color contrast.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**The Bishop.** 26 inches. A magnificent large flower of a beautiful deep bluish-purple with a blue base. A grand and superb flower carried on a very strong stem. Lasts a long time in good condition.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**Victoire d'Oliveira.** 26 inches. Deep carmine flowers on excellent stems. One of the best early forcing varieties.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**William Copeland.** 27 inches. Mauve lilac. The best Darwin Tulip for early forcing, but if forced the color is a delicate lavender-blue. For outdoor planting we suggest using Rev. H. Ewbank instead.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**Yellow Giant.** 30 inches. A beautiful deep shade of golden yellow with black anthers. This is one of the best of the new varieties, producing immense flowers on tall stems. Unusually good keeping qualities.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**Zwanenburg.** 29 inches. Without doubt one of the finest white tulips. Flowers large, pure white on tall strong stems.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

#### RAINBOW MIXTURE Darwin Tulips











FANTASY (Parrot)

#### Parrot TULIP

Fantasy. The most popular Parrot Tulip. It is a sport of Clara Butt, but with huge flowers of large petals loosely arranged into a broad base, then rising to form a great chalice with shadings on the sides and laciniations on the margins. For something different try this Parrot Tulip.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Bronze Queen. 28 inches. Very popular Breeder Tulip with large handsome flowers in golden bronze with amber shading. The overall faint plum bloom accents this symphony of browns.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.25 25 for \$4.00, 100 for \$15.00

Cardinal Manning. 28 inches. One of the largest Breeders. Strong growing and late to flower, the rich tones of wine red and rosy bronze are delightful in the garden.

3 bulbs for .65c, 12 for \$2.35 25 for \$4.50, 100 for \$15.00

Prince of Orange (Orange Beauty). 24 inches. Bright orange shaded with bronze. Petals show a narrow edge of yellow. Sweetly scented with very fine flowers which last a long time in bloom.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

Vincent's Cottage and Breeder TULIPS

This group of Tulips, considered as May-Flowering by many because of the early blooming habit, is remarkable for the variety of color forms to be found in their flowers. In the Cottage Tulips even the form of the flower has varied from the usual and traditional globe shaped and we have the Lily-flowered Tulips with broad and expanding

petals. Other Cottage Tulips are globular in shape but the markings, shading and color combinations make them excellent for intimate little gardens where their colors can be appreciated.

In the Cottage Tulips we have many colors represented and many of them have red and yellow shadings. They are much nicer for planting in mixed beds, either annual or perennial, because the delicacy of the flower form and color makes them more appropriate.

**Dido.** 28 inches. Very large flowers shading from bright pink through salmon to golden orange. The inside is a rich bright golden yellow with a coppery green base. This is one of the best Breeder Tulips and should be planted widely.

3 bulbs 65c, 12 for \$2.35, 25 for \$4.50, 100 for \$16.00

Inglescombe Yellow. 21 inches. The most popular yellow Tulip and its long egg-shaped glossy flowers in bright canary yellow is much used in flower gardens as the intensity of yellow seems to pick up and magnify the brilliance of spring sunshine in a most entrancing way. The stems are especially good and the color of flowers delightfully rich.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

**Orange King.** 22 inches. Very brightly colored and sweetly fragrant. The large globular flowers are a glistening deep orange with scarlet shadings. The yellow center and black anthers are striking in the open flowers.

3 bulbs for 60c, 12 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75, 100 for \$14.00

For Bronze tones plant Breeder Tulips. Selection below.





### **SPARAXIS**

For a riot of color we can give our unconditional recommendation to this little bulb related to Freesias. The flowers are cup-shaped, about an inch and a half across with each a combination of bright colors. The stems are stiffly erect and bear a cluster of these bright flowers. They prefer a sunny spot and revel in the bright sunshine. In colder climates they are tender and must be given the same treatment accorded to Freesias, being planted in pots or outdoors in late spring for summer bloom. They are bold enough in color and dwarf in habit to make excellent border plants.

12 bulbs for 95c, 25 for \$1.75, 100 for \$6.00



SPARAXIS HYBRIDS

### LILIES for the Garden

Lilies may be grown anywhere if planted in a soil that is well drained, deep and shaded from the hot sun. They like a cool root run and a generous amount of leaf mould. The bulbs are made up of a number of fleshy scales that would soon rot off if allowed to stand in a wet soil. Some gardeners plant them on their sides, others on a cushion of sand; in any event the whole problem revolves around good

drainage. Lily beds should be dug deeply and the drainage placed in the bottom of a trench with an outlet if the soil is heavy. Upon this drainage place the soil. Plant the bulbs deep, about 8 to 10 inches. Once established they need only annual fertilizing, as a top dressing or mulch of well rotted manure.

**Regal Lily.** A very handsome white Lily from China. The white trumpets are shaded pink on the reverse and show a light creamy yellow in the throat. Several to the 3 to 5 feet stems. 3 for \$1.00, 12 for \$3.50. Postpaid.

**Sunset Lily.** A very satisfactory garden Lily, produces a spectacular display of bright red Lilies in July. Base of petals golden yellow and overall speckled with brown, reflexed upwards.

3 for \$1.25, 12 for \$4.50



Grape Hyacinth
MUSCARI

This little dwarf early flowering bulb is one of the joys of spring. Each bulb produces a small spike of blue or white flowers like small grapes set very closely on the stem. Does well in shade or sun and in combination with yellow or pink flowers. Ideal in the rock garden or as an edging for bulb beds.

Blue. 12 for 95c, 25 for \$1.75



GRAPE HYACINTH

KING OF THE BLUES

NEW PINK CALLA

### HYACINTHS from Holland

For the first time in five years we are again able to offer Dutch Hyacinths, the most versatile and colorful of bulbs. Hyacinths in the spring garden give a gay range of color impossible to obtain so early in the spring in any other way. Properly used there are few flowers that will give more satisfaction.

During the winter months Hyacinths may be grown indoors with ridiculous ease, requiring only a little light, warmth and some support such as bulb fibre, pebbles and water or soil in pots.

Culture: Set bulbs early in the fall in beds of well prepared rich soil. To get all the bulbs to flower at the same time, that is all of each variety, they should all be placed at the same depth. Hyacinths should be covered with 6 to 8 inches of soil, deeper in the milder climates and spaced from 6 to 8 inches apart. Beds of one variety or with patterns worked in them with other colors are extremely effective.

**Arentine Arendsen.** One of the finest whites with long spikes of large snowy white bells.

**Gertrude.** Large compact spikes of deep pink flowers. This is one of the best varieties for forcing or planting in large beds.

**Grand Maitre.** Deep lavender with long spikes of large bells. Compact and one of the showiest varieties. Very popular.

**King of the Blues.** Splendid large trusses of deep violet-blue florets. Flowers very sweetly scented. You will enjoy this one in pots or outdoors in beds.

Lady Derby. Beautiful pale pink florets arranged in a tall broad spike. An excellent variety, recommended for late forcing or bedding.

La Victorie. The best red Hyacinth.

Large, well filled spikes of shining carmine-red. Equally useful for either bedding or forcing indoors.

**L'Innocence.** The best white with large, pure white bells. Enjoys great popularity for bedding and forcing.

Yellow Hammer. Large golden yellow bells in a compact spike.

Queen of the Blues. A strong variety with well formed trusses of clear light porcelain blue. Rather late flowering and not recommended for forcing.



LA VICTORIE

Queen of the Pinks. One of the most popular bedding varieties, very lovely with large, broad trusses of good size bells. A very good pink.

3 for \$1.00, 12 for \$3.00, 100 for \$21.00

### CALLA LILIES

A race of delightful summer flowering bulbs with exceedingly attractive foliage and long stemmed, waxy flowers. They can be planted outdoors in the fall in the Southern states and California, but should only be forced in pots for winter bloom where Southern states and California, but should be forced in pots for winter bloom where the winters are cold or planting delayed until the danger of frost has passed. Callas prefer partial to full shade and a rich, moist soil.

White (Large Flowering). The well known white Calla which enjoys an enviable reputation as garden flower and house plant. Beautiful in bud and when open with its white, waxy flowers. At the recent Pasadena Flower Show a bouquet of white Callas with the insides of each flower painted with a different bright Tempera color, was very much admired.

3 bulbs for \$1.35, 12 for \$4.50, 25 for \$8.00. Postpaid.

**Yellow.** Slightly dwarfer than the white but more showy with its golden-yellow flowers and beautiful leaves. Leaves dark green with tiny white dots. Prefers deeper shade.

3 bulbs for \$1.00, 12 for \$3.50, 25 for \$6.50. Postpaid.

**Pink.** A most unusual novelty with light pink flowers, sometimes a beautiful soft rose. We offer a specially fine strain of this variety. Dwarf, usually less than a foot high. Makes a wonderful pot plant.

75c each, 3 for \$1.95, 12 for \$7.00. Postpaid.

## Anemones

VINCENT'S GIANT RANUNCULUS

Equal to the Ranunculus as a colorful flower in the garden Anemones are especially attractive in beds or clumps in the flower border. They make a bushy low growth of finely cut leaves from which rise their many stems from 8 to 12 inches high, each crowned with a colorful, delicate poppy-like flower. They are planted and handled just as are Ranunculus but are slightly hardier, withstanding quite some cold if mulched with some airy cover. Winter wet is definitely not good.

Set the bulbs 2 to 3 inches deep in a well-drained bed; spacing 6 to 8 inches apart. The pointed end of the bulb should go down, so that the rounded crown is on top.

Monarch de Caen, Mixed. Tall growing strain with large saucer-shaped single flowers. Color range white, rose, lavender, purple and red with white center. All have black bosses in the center.

**St. Brigid, Mixed.** Large sturdy fully double flowers on strong stems. Some may be semi-double, but the majority are delightfully double and come in about the same color range as the single Monarch de Caen.

Extra fine, large bulbs: Per doz. \$1.25, \$7.50 per 100. Postpaid.





# GIANT FLOWERING RANUNCULUS

One of the most satisfactory bulbs for mild climates is the giant flowered Ranunculus with its pleasing large flowers with dainty petal structure and lovely colors. They are among the showiest of spring flowers—each bulb producing a dozen or so flowers, and if planted in a well drained place they will increase in size and flower producing capacity each year. This is the finest strain obtainable, coming in a good color range of white, yellow, golden-yellow, orange, pink and red.

Plant the bulbs with the claws downward, with the top about two inches under the soil. They may be planted 3 or 4 inches apart or slightly farther

apart if large bulbs and in good soil. Bulbs of Ranunculus and Anemones may be soaked for several hours before planting to speed up growth. In the cold climates our customers will do better to order bulbs for fall delivery and store them in a dry cellar until planting time in April or May.

|                  | Mixed C   | olors  |        |        |
|------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
|                  | Per. Doz. | 25     | 50     | 100    |
|                  | Bulbs     | Bulbs  | Bulbs  | Bulbs  |
| Jumbo grade      | . \$1.50  | \$2.75 | \$5.00 | \$9.00 |
| No. 1 size       |           | 1.75   | 3.25   | 6.00   |
| No. 2 size       |           | 1.25   | 2.25   | 3.75   |
|                  | Separate  | Colors |        |        |
| No. 1 size bulbs | . 1.50    | 2.75   | 5.00   | 9.00   |
|                  |           |        |        |        |





CAMELLIA FLOWERED BEGONIA, ROSE (left), ORANGE (above), GIANT FRILLED (below)

### CALIFORNIA TUBEROUS BEGONIAS

California, because of its ideal climate and growing season, produces the finest and largest bulbs of this favorite garden flower. Start the bulbs indoors during January and February by placing in open trays of peat, slightly moistened and in a warm place. As growth starts the bulbs should be potted or planted in flats of porous soil, mixed with peat and sand. When the weather warms they may then be set outdoors in the ground or in the pots plunged to keep them from drying out. The flowers are among the finest of any flowers grown and may even be used as corsages. We ship only the best bulbs of the California crop.

#### Vincent's WATSONIA HYBRIDS

Like graceful Glads on tall wiry stems. Plant in full sun. The waxy flowers ideal for cutting. Plant as you would Gladiolus.

12 for \$1.35 25 for \$2.50

### Vincent's California TUBEROUS BEGONIAS

Giant Camellia Flowered Double. Large double flowers like Camellias or roses. Most popular type. White, yellow, rose, pink, orange, scarlet, dark red, apricot, flame orange, blush, crimson-rose, American beauty, cardinal red, dark salmon, light salmon and mixed colors.

**Giant Frilled.** Exquisite large flowers beautifully frilled and ruffled at the edges. White, yellow, rose, pink, salmon, orange, scarlet, dark red, apricot, fascination (light pink to white with frilled border shading from rose to light red), and mixed colors.

**Carnation Flowered.** Flowers very double and resembling a carnation. White, yellow, rose, pink, salmon, orange, scarlet, dark red, blush, crimson-rose, red-salmon, apricot, dark salmon and mixed colors.

Also available in mixed and separate colors are the following:

Giant Crested, Double Rosebud, Double Picotee with the darker stripe around each petal. For hanging basket planting we can supply **Lloydi** type in many colors.

Red, yellow, orange, pink, gold, white.

Any variety listed: Each 35c, 3 for \$1.00, 12 for \$3.50



### Vincent's GLADIOLUS

#### BULBS OF PROVEN MERIT

6 Bulbs sold at the dozen rate

**Albatross.** The clearest white Gladiolus. Tall stem. Opens five to six large flowers at a time.

**Bagdad.** Smoky old rose somewhat darker toward the edge of the petals but with a lighter throat.



**Beacon.** Most brilliant and popular of the reds. Flowers bright salmon red with cream throat. A big winner at the shows.

Betty Nuthall. Large florets of splendid substance and impeccable placement. Glowing orange-pink with light yellow throat and a slight feathering of carmine.

**Charles Dickens.** Flowers a glowing red violet with a deeper velvety blotch on the lower petals.

Commander Koehl. Rich deep scarlet red. Pure color. Wide open florets on tall stems.

**Debonair.** Tall straight spikes of La France pink florets, throats shrimp pink and cream. Commercial variety.

**Dr. Bennett.** Popular and well known fiery-red. A fine large grower and one of the most brilliant glads grown.

**Early Peach.** Peach-red blending to ivory in the throat of upper petals; lower petals blotched warm buff.

Gold Dust. Extra fine golden yellow.

Maid of Orleans. Creamy white with a light cream shading in throat. Large florets.

Margaret Fulton. Rich deep salmon unusually solid color with faint apricot throat.

Mildred Louise. Soft glowing orange pink. Well open florets on straight spike.

**Minuet.** Perfectly arranged straight spikes of pure lavender florets. Six to seven open at one time.

**Peggy Lou.** Deep shrimp pink with a slight rosy cast and peppering of deeper rose in the throat. Resembles Picardy in form.

**Pelegrina.** Dark violet blue blotched slightly darker on the two lower petals. One of the best dark blues.

**Picardy.** Glowing shrimp pink without any markings. A very popular and proven variety for all gardens.

**Red Phipps.** Brilliant light scarlet. A splendid cut flower and very popular in this area.

Rosa van Lima. Light rose with a few darker lines in the throat. Tall spike with 8 or more florets open at one time.

**Shirley Temple.** Large flowers, cream colored with darker throat, 6 to 7 open at a time. Very good grower.

Vagabond Prince. Iridescent garnet-brown lighter in the upper throat and showing a bright blotch on the lip.



Valeria. An exhibition variety of Dr. Bennett. Soft red with a narrow stripe of light cream in the throat.

Yellow Perfection. Large deep yellow florets. Vigorous grower and excellent as a cut flower.

Vincent's Gladiolus Bulbs are nationally known for their superb quality. You will get the largest exhibition spikes from these Jumbo Bulbs.

3 of one variety.....\$ .60 6 of one variety..... 1.00 12 of one variety.....\$1.50 50 of one variety..... 5.50

100 of one variety.....\$10.00

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